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SUBJECT: FCIA CREDIT INSURANCE FOR SALE OF RADIO/TV

BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT TO AUDIOFON

REF STATE 269709

1. EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTION REGARDING SALE AND DOES NOT PERCEIVE POLITICAL OR OTHER REASONS WHY EXMIBANK SHOULD NOT CONSIDER REQUEST

2. AUDIOFON DISTRIBUTES RADION AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT PRIMARILY OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURE: A) RCA CORPORATION, CLARK, NEW JERSEY; B) COMMUNICATIONS CO., CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; C) ALTEC, ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA. WTDR SATISFACTORY (SEE KINGSTON 2253, 7/9/73)

3. FYI EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM AUDIOFON THAT JAPANESE COMPETITORS HAVE COMPLETED FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR JAMAICA BROADCASTING CORPORATION (JBC) AND RECOMMENDED JBC PURCHASE JAMAPANES RADIO/TV BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT THROUGH JAPANESE LOAN. AUDIOFON REPRESENTATIVE EXPTECTED THIS EQUIPMENT WOULD BE USED TO EXPAND EXISTING JCB FACILITIES AND POSSIBLY TO INITIATE A SECOND CHANNEL FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION. THE POTENTIAL TOTAL VALUE OF THE PURCHASE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY J\$2,000,000. REP PREFERS JBC BUY RCA EQUIPMENT BECAUSE OF ITS WELL-KNOWN REPUTATION, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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READY AVAILABILITY SPARE PARTS, AND PROXIMITY AFTE SALE

SERVICE AND EXPRESSED HOPE USG WOULD BE ABLE OFFER LOAN
FACILITY TO FACILITATE POTENTIAL JBC PURCHASE OF
US EQUIPMENT. GERARD

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